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SUBJ: SOVIET DELEGATION TO CONCRETE AND AGGREGATES SHOW

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1. DURING MEETING WITH COMMATT JANUARY 15, SIPKO OF GOSSTROY PRESENTED REVISED PROPOSAL (SEE BELOW) FOR VISIT OF SOVIET DELEGATION TO SUBJECT EXHIBITION AND POST-EXHIBITION TOUR. COMMERCIAL OFFICE VERY MUCH REGRETS THAT THIS PROPOSAL WILL ENTAIL CANCELLATION OF SOME ARRANGEMENTS ALREADY MADE AND ELIMINATION OF SOME FIRMS FROM ITINERARY. PLEASE STREE TO THOSE FIRMS WHICH WILL NOT BE ON ITINERARY THAT THIS DOES NOT RPT NOT REFLECT LACK OF SOVIET INTEREST BUT RATHER RECOGNITION ON SOVIET SIDE THAT ORIGINAL PROPOSALS FOR VISIT ATTEMPTED TO CROWD TOO MUCH INTO AVAILABLE TIME.

2. REVISED ITINERARY IS AS FOLLOWS:

FEBRUARY 1 - ARRIVE NEW YORK FROM MOSCOW VIA SU 311  
AT 1830 LOCAL. DEPART NEW YORK (JFK) FOR HOUSTON  
VIA EA495 AT 2205, ARRIVING HOUSTON AT 0053,  
FEBRUARY 2.

FEBRUARY 2 AND 3 - AT EXHIBITION, INCLUDING TOUR OF  
MUNICIPAL CONSTRUCTION SITES AND IF POSSIBLE  
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PLANT FOR PRODUCTION OF PRE-CAST CONCRETE

BUILDING ELEMENTS.

FEBRUARY 4 - DEPART HOUSTON FOR NEW ORLEANS. VISIT TO  
BELDEN CONCRETE PRODUCTS (CONCRETE PLANTS  
AND BUILDING SITES)

FEBRUARY 5 - DEPART NEW ORLEANS FOR CHICAGO

FEBRUARY 5 AND 6 - CHICAGO, PEORIA AND SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS  
AND MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN FOR VISITS TO:  
CATERPILLAR, FIAT-ALLIS AND ALLIS-CHALMERS.  
IN ADDITION, GROUP WOULD VERY MUCH LIKE TO  
VISIT MATERIAL SERVICE COMPANY (DIVISION OF  
GENERAL DYNAMICS).

FEBRUARY 7 - DEPART CHICAGO FOR NEW YORK

FEBRUARY 7 AND 8 - IN NEW YORK FOR PROGRAM ORGANIZED BY  
AMERICAN SOCIETY OF CIVIL ENGINEERS (HOUSING,  
PUBLIC BUILDINGS COMPLETED AND UNDER CONSTRU-  
CTION, CONCRETE PLANTS AND CITY TOUR).

FEBRUARY 9 - DEPART NEW YORK FOR WASHINGTON

FEBRUARY 9 AND 10 - IN WASHINGTON. VISITS TO NBS  
CENTER FOR BUILDING TECHNOLOGY, CITY TOUR,  
DINNER HOSTED BY THREE ASSOCIATIONS SPONSORING  
HOUSTON EXHIBITION.

FEBRUARY 10 - DEPART WASHINGTON FOR MOSCOW VIA SU-318  
AT 1925 LOCAL.

3. IN CASE OF FEBRUARY 5 AND 6 VISIT TO CHICAGO AREA,  
DELEGATION WILL BE SPLIT INTO TWO PARTS AS PER PARA 2  
REFTEL, WITH MACHINE-BUILDING SEGMENT VISITING CATER-  
PILLAR AND FIAT-ALLIS AND CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS SEGMENT  
VISITING ALLIS CHALMERS AND MATERIALS SERVICE COMPANY.  
GROUP VISITING ALLIS-CHALMERS WILL NEED INTERPRETER,  
AS MESHKOV, WHO WILL BE WITH MACHINE-BUILDING GROUP  
AT THAT TIME, IS ONLY MEMBER OF DELEGATION  
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WHO HAS ENGLISH ABILITY AT SUFFICIENT LEVEL TO  
SERVE AS INTERPRETER.

4. REGARDING HOTEL ROOMS, SIPKO ASKED THAT TWO SINGLES  
AND THREE DOUBLES BE RESERVED AT ALL STOPS. SINGLES WILL  
BE FOR TWO DEPUTY MINISTERS; OTHER MEMBERS OF DELEGATION  
WILL DOUBLE UP. HE ASKED THAT PRICE OF ROOMS BE HELD TO LESS THAN  
DOLLARS 20/PERSON AND SINGLE ROOMS TO DOLLARS 30/40 PER

PERSON, IF POSSIBLE.

5. SEE SEPTTEL FOR LIST OF SUBJECTS OF PARTICULAR INTEREST  
FOR SOVIET DELEGATION.

6. COMMOFF GREATLY APPRECIATES BEWT/TDAD'S ASSISTANCE  
AND REGRETS INCONVENIENCE FROM CHANGE OF SIGNALS.  
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